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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT Application of:

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For: TREATMENT OR PROPHYLAXIS OF ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the application identified in caption  
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓  
At page 1, line 3:

B1 Field of the Invention

✓  
At page 1, before line 15:

B2 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

✓  
Delete pages 12-16.

IN THE CLAIMS:

B3  
1. "amended" A pharmaceutical composition for use in treatment or prophylaxis of  
ischemic heart disease, the pharmaceutical composition comprising a substance, as an active